That sounds like a good oldfashioned excommunication such as the Dutch synagogue fastened upon Spinoza, who didn't mind.

If Mr. Gompers defines Bolshev-'sm correctly his condemnation for all time" is probably sound. But "eternal" condemnations are always risky. The theory that the earth went around the sun was condemned for all time as false and sinful, contradicting Ecclesiustes, "the earth standeth fast for-

Nevertheless, as Galileo remarkd, "She moves."

Anaesthetic surgery was condemned for all time on the ground that using chloroform to save men from pain that God desired to inflict was wrong.

About three hundred years ago a Scotch lady of rank, Eufame Macalyan, was burned alive on the castle hill of Edinborough. Her crime was "seeking the aid of Agnes Sampson for relief of pain at the birth of her two sons." Now quite calmly we discuss "twilight sleep," alleged to eliminate the pain of childbirth.

The sewing machine at first was ondemned "eternally" because poor sewing women, unable to carn a living, would starve to death." Improved machinery for making cotton goods had to be operated in fortified factories. The English condemned it eterally, on the ground that it would put them out of work. Instead it and increased employment.

Mr. Gompers remembers the ostility of printers, very intelligent men, to the first typesetting machines. Their imagination saw a week and printers starving. No printer today would choose the old

The Russian idea of Soviet govrnment, with trades selecting lawmakers and the old false, assumption that the masses rule, which they never do, may in the long run work as well for Russia as other governments have worked in other countries. There is no need to get excited "completely, finally and for all time" because Bolshevist government kills its enemies when it catches them. Today the French government is wilt on a revolution that killed memies in thousands, men and omen alike. British government, which for Englishmen comes nearest to free government, got its et along without Charles the

As for our own beloved country, f you think it started on an ablutely gentle basis, read Fiske, nd other historians. Birth is minful and bloody, revolution is he birth of government. Don't Bolshevist baby finally, even the off, dressed up and starts growing.

Lucky Clemenceau, beaten for he presidency, starts traveling in Egypt. Fortunate he who escapes from harness in old age, takes his eyes from the ground to which we are all chained, and for a few ears looks at the sky above and the earth around him. The majority of us come out of that earth and go back into it never really seeing it. We live fastened to the treadmill of our foolish desires, needless accumulation or involuntary wage slavery. You can count on your fingers the really free men and women you know.

Rider Haggard says England's middle classes are on the road to

Working people, it seems, are cetting too much of what they produce. Sad situation. It may comfort the middle classes to remember that they have had the buttered side of bread for a long

Mr. Kimball, of New York, circulates a little pamphlet showing France in a bad way because mechanics and other workers get so much that not enough is left for profit on investment to build new factories. How would it be to let well paid workers invest surplus earnings in stock investment companies owned by them and let those companies build new factories with workers' fundsor would that be Bolshevist

Preparedess is important, but isn't everything. For instance, two days ago Glenn Young, successful hunter for deserters, arrived in Columbia, S. C., bringing eleven prisoners. One of them, Walter D. Goss, had 204 rounds of ammunition, brass knuckles, one repeating rifle, one .44-caliber Colt's revolver, one .32 caliber automatic. He had not used the brass knuckles or fired a shot. To make preparation valuable you must be willing to fight. All the ammenition in the world wouldn't keep an American, Italian, English, Irish, French or German army everrupning the hundreds of millens that live in India.

## might. Temperature about freezing tonight. Temperature at 8 a. m., 28 degrees.

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'Flu' Spreading in All Sections of U.S. But Is Under Control Here, Dr. Fowler Says

## MEXICANS SLAUGHTER MINE CREW OF 22 MEN

# INCREASE HERE

Eighteen Deaths Recorded in 24 Hours, as Against 15 From Influenza.

160 NEW CASES OF "FLU"

**Epidemic Gradually Subsiding** Asserts Dr. Fowler, Health Officer.

Deaths from pneumonia have taken a sudden increase during the last week, and it appeared today that the wave of sickness is not entirely influenza.

As the health laws of the District do not require the reporting of pneumonia cases, it is impossible to determine the number of cases of this disease in Washington.

18 Die of Pneumonia. Eighteen deaths from pneumonia were recorded during the twenty-four run for that ship in distress she got, too), a radio from another of the hours ending at noon today, compared kicked out half a knot better than convoy saying that she had been torwith fifteen influenza deaths. This brings the total pneumonia deaths for the month to 176, and the total fatalities from influenza to 82. Dr. William C. Fowler, District Health Officer, is not unduly alarmed at the number of pneumonia deaths.
"There is no doubt there has been an increase in deaths," said Dr. Fow ler. "but how prevailing pneumonia is, I cannot tell. I have had no re-ports that would lead me to believe pneumonia has appeared in epidemic

The number of cases of influenza reported still continues to take a cownward trend. Today there were 160 new case, reported bringing the new case, reported, bringing the

Gradually Subsiding.

"The epidemic of influenza is grad-ually subsiding," said Dr. Fowler, "al-though the appropriate being worth \$4,000,000. hough the number of deaths is a indicate the disease is still spread

Reports from every section of the city show that the number of cases of sickness is gradually falling off. The call for nurses is not as great as t was during the past week. Frank M. Ruppert, fifty-one years old, of 1207 Fifth street northwest, is recorded on the books of the Health Department as having died from a

complication of influenza and pneu-

monia.

Deaths Reported. Deaths reported from influenza were: Sarah Johnson, 40 years, 643 Girard street northwest; Raymond F. Baker, 30 years, 3416 R street northwest; Myrtle L. Gibson, 35 years, 507 Seventh street southwest; Joseph C. Shelton, jr., 21 years, 407 Elm street Washington Asylum Hospital; Lawrence Washington, 66 years, 216 A street southeast; Nicholas H. Kelley, years, 1827 Seventh street northeast; George W. Ellis, 40 years, 3329 Tenth street northeast; John Clements, 47 years, Sibley Hospital; Grant Holmes, 46 years, 1931 Ninth street the nature of those of yesterday, the northwest; William J. Wall, 55 years, great circle of newspaper correspondyears, 422 P street northwest; Car- spreaders of socialist propaganda. olyn P. Thompson, 32 years, George-

### **REBATE OF \$1,000,000** TO COAL WHOLESALERS

(Continued on Page 2, Column 5.)

Railroads Must Return Huge Sum for Excess Demurrage, Under I. C. C. Ruling.

More than \$1,000,000 will be returned to wholesale coal dealers by the large railroads, under a ruling handed down today by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The commission ruled that \$2 a day is a reasonable rate for demurrage for cars held by wholesale coal dealers. The railroads in many sections, particularly in New York, had been charging \$3 a day, and will be pelled to return the excess over \$2.

### DETZER JURY AGREES; ACQUITAL REPORTED

Official Announcement Waits Review of Case By War Department.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.-Capt. Karl W. Detzer, of Fort Wayne, Ind., was reported today to have been acquitted of the charge of cruelly treating prisoners under his charge at the military

prison at Le Mans, France.
The board of officers which heard the charges reached a verdict in five minutes last night, but it was stated no announcement will be made until Hono of water drinking vegetar- | the case has been referred to the War

### World's Most Potent Propaganda Backing Sims, Says Connolly

Boston's noted writer of sea tales, who spent eight months with the American naval forces abroad during the great war and whose comments on Admiral Sims are based on personal observation.

I shall try to sketch one day's work of our destroyers in wartime. In October, 1917, I was cruising with one of a DIFFICULT TO GET QUORUM ONE FIRM WOULD BUY 30 group of our destroyers west of the Bay of Biscay. We had escorted a fleet of ships from our base to well offshore, Complete Indifference as to Fate Government Opposes Ownership picked up our eastbound convoy, and were this day heading them up for the channel, all of which is meant to show that for several days the officers and men of our little ships had been under more or less of a strain.

#### S O S From 90 Miles Away.

ninety miles away. The destroyer I day's work. But just before 6 o'clock, happened to be on as a correspondent was detailed to run up and get her.

And she went. You may have read of how they Strapped down safety valves on the old-time Mississippi river packets when racing. On our ship they were not strapped; they were bolted.

Not a new ship at all, with a few loss to be a new ship at all, with a few loss to be a new ship at all, with a few loss to be loss. To pedoed? Sure. happened to be on as a correspondent just coming on dark it was, there Not a new ship at all, with a few

a good old bus for all that, on this got, of course, every other destroyer she had shown in her builder's trial pedoed also, all tending to prove that run five years before.

After a three hours' run, our engines singing and our deck crawling and gun crews standing by, we raised our steamer; as we raised her wealso raised a fine, able-looking U-boat of

We ran the U-boat under, gave a little first aid to the shot-up ship and crew, escorted her to the convoythe convoy coming our way all the time-and resumed station and duty of zigzagging back and forth at the

SOCIALIST PROBE

At about 8:30 a. m. of this day an | not to speak of her crew-our fellows O S came in from a steamer about felt that they had done a sort of a

An hour later, by then quite dark, loose rivets in her here and there, but our ship got a radio (and what we a first-class U-boat man was on the

> Disperse the Convoy. "Hew many more d' y' suppose

that guy'll get by morning?" our the new two deck-gun type, shelling fellows were asking each other. With coolly away, and feeling so sure of that convoy allowed to stay bunched her victim that she was trying some up he might have got more, but our fancy shooting at her wireless when ranking officer gave the order to disperse the convoy, and they began to disperse, and with them and our here ought to have a D. S. M. just for being present.

Now all this time the 16,000-tonner was sinking, but not without protection. Two of our destroyers had and our prize being worth \$4,000,000-

(Continued on Page 4, Column 4.)

### BOY, 10, SHOWS HOW VIEWED AS FARCE DAD SLEW MOTHER

Counsel for Ousted Five Read Clasps Tiny Hands About Bolshevist Ideas Into Records.

By WILLIAM G. SHEPHERD. (International News Service.)

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 30 .- The inestigation of the five unseated Socialist assemblymen is, in the opinion of the mlookers, assuming the aspect of a farce.

If today's proceedings partake of

511 Thirteenth street northwest; ents gathered from many different Florence D. McAuliffe, 53 years, 500 cities of the country will begin to D street southeast; Bessie Dillard, 33 consider themselves involuntary Not a day has passed this week when the correspondents have not been forced, by pressure of news, to put on the wires for newspapers in every American city vast quantities of pro-socialist material; even down to the contents of mysterious little books which sold at the socialist book stores for from six to ten cents a copy. The socialist lawyers have turned the tables on their investigators and are taking advantage of their unparalleled opportunity to get hearing before America.

The climax came late yesterday afernoon when Seymour Stedman read into the records statements of Raymond Robins favorable to the bolshevist situation in Russia. The socialists are prepared with witnesses to continue the presentation of their case until the judiciary committee sees fit to stop them. They have already proved that they have kicked out of their party the I. W. W., and the communists and the second week of the hearing ends today with the socialists feeling far from whipped.

"Even if our assemblymen are ousted," said one of the socialist leaders today, "we are the winners, because we have attracted American attention to our cause and proved that we are not devils, devoted to revolution. Assemblyman Cuvillier, at the opening of today's investigation of ive unseated Socialist assemblymen, raised the question of the American-ism of the Rand School. He asked whether the attorney general was taking steps to revoke the charter of the Rand School. Algernon Lee, director of the school, said that the question of rewoking the charter had been taken up and dropped. Cuvillier then asked whether Frank Tannenbaum, sentenced to the workhouse in New York for a rioting in church, was a professor of the Rand

"Yes." said Lee, "and now Tention (Continued on Page 2, Culumn

School

**Imaginary Throat and Chokes** With Might.

GRAFTON, W. Va., Jan. 30 .- At the vening of the tragedy. Their mothder of his wife, his ten-year-old son, foe, told how "father killed mother." The lad went on the stand after a rigid examination as to his qualifica tions as a witness.

The boy said he and his little sister were at home with their father on the little fellow declared, his father flew into a rage and struck her in the

Then, the boy said, the father seized his wife by the throat and hurled her against the kitchen window. The breaking of the glass seemed further to infuriate the man, according to the boy, for he grabbed a chair and struck the mother with that also. She then went into her bed room where the boy followed and found her crying. Later, while his wife lay upon the bed, the father again seized her by the throat with both hands and strangled her to death in the pres-

The little fellow was a dramatic figure. He arose to his feet before the jury, placed one knee upon the witness chair and with the other foot upon the floor, stretched out his lit tle arms toward the jury, clasped his hands about an imaginary throat, and illustrated how the deed was done.

### STRIKES AT LOWEST EBB IN U. S. SINCE ARMISTICE

Less Than 25,000 Workers Out At Present, Labor Statistics

The strike epidemic is at the lowpartment officials said today. Only two strikes have been report ed to the department in the last ter days. Less than 25,000 men are on strike throughout the country. "Spring is likely to usher in many strikes," said Hugh Kerwin, Director

NOMINATED BY WILSON. President Wilson today sent to the te nomination of Franklin W.

the War Finance Corpora-

### O.K. ONTREATY BIDS ON U. S. NOW REMOTE SHIPS PROBED Peace Distant as Contending Precautions Taken to Prevent

Factions Continue to Discuss Reservations.

of Pact Exists in Both Parties.

> By J. BART CAMPBELL. International News Service.

Whatever the outcome of the bipartisan conference scheduled to be Peace Treaty appears to be remote. a gigantic shipping trust. Negotiations for an agreement on the disputed Lodge reservations are this trust has already been formed, likely to be continued indefinitely, with the object of buying in the best if the deadlock on Article X of the of the Shipping Board vessels at League of Nations covenant is not low rates.

Can Meet Pressure.

country for early action on the treaty with a brave show of activity. There are hardly enough Senators now within sound of a roll call to provide enough votes for ratification. two successive days the Senate has affourned abruptly in the middle absence of a quorum.

Three Senators are sailing the own fellows whizzing every which Virgin Islands to see what Congress way, and not a single light showing can do toward improving them with in the Cark! Well, I think anybody a Congressional appropriation. Others a Congressional appropriation. Others are campaigning, or mending their political fences "back home." Senator Hitchcock, the Administra-

tion's treaty manager, is due to depart for Omaha, Neb., his home city, to- cantile Marine's morrow, on an errand of mixed busi- than. George The first month of the year will

treaty still unratified. Can Block Ratification.

There are enough Republican Sen-There are enough Republican Sen-ttors to block ratification unless the seven ex-German ships allocated to Lodge reservations are accepted substantially by the Democratic side. Many Democratic Senators are evincing daily a stronger disposition to

In the meanwhile the situation is complete indifference regarding the the bidder is an independent or merely treaty's fate is still to be found in the a dummy acting for a trust. The

### **UHL ARRESTED ON EVE** OF HIS WIFE'S TRIAL Soviet Leader Agrees

Held for Disorderly Conduct After Being Found in Hotel Room With Woman.

CUMBERLAND, Md., Jan. 30,-A er had gone out to pick beans, from the garden. When she returned, the of Mrs. Kate Uhl, charged with the murder of Edgar Bryan Pownall of

Three Churches, W. Va.; at the Uhl apartments here December 31, by the arrest Wednesday night of Mervin Uhl, her husband, while in a room at a small hotel here with Mrs. Bessie Mitchell. He was charged with disorderly conduct. Uhl posted a bond of \$15 for a hearing before City Magistrate

Humbird, but he failed to appear. Mrs. Mitchell in the meantime is in jail, having been unable to procure Uhl has not been employed since the tragedy and is living apart from his wife. The time for the opening of the in any way, but "would hurt the cause of his government." He refused

trial has been finally set for next

### Keeping Up With The Times A FACT A DAY

One Washington business man had recent occasion to use all the Washington papers with large display advertising on a proposition that permitted him to keep an accurate record of his returns and to identify their He told a Times man

yesterday that The Times produced three times as many sales as one other paper, twice as many as another paper and exactly the same as the remaining

Vessels Falling Into Hands Of Gigantic Trust.

Of Too Many Boats by Same Concern.

The Government today is carefully investigating all bids made on the hundreds of ships it has for sale, taking every precaution to prevent resumed today, ratification of the the vessels falling into the hands of

Some Government officials believe Precautions Thorough.

It was learned today that the International Mercantile Marine, a New meet the growing pressure from the York corporation, had offered to purchase in a single block all of the thirty former German passenger vessels recently put on the market by the Shipping Board. The price offered was not disclosed.

But, although the International Mercantile Marine is not suspected of each afternoon because of the being involved in the workings of the scence of a quorum.

Three Senators are sailing the know it is acting entirely for its own interests, the Government's precausing waves, en route to the interests, the Government's precausing waves. Virgin Islands to see what Congress tions are so thorough that it is be-

Included in the International Mercantile Marine's bid are the Levia-than, George Washington, and vanish from the calendar with the \$50,000,000. The offer contains an agreement to maintain passenger services outlined by the Shipping Roard. The Munson Steamship Comservice between New York, Rlo Ja-

neiro, and Buenos Aires. Bids Closely Scrutiniked.

Scrutiny of bids made on the scores of smaller shipping board vessels, just dragging along amid gusts of all of which are for sale, includes an discussion—and apparently the most investigation to ascertain whether bidder is required to tell the trade or (Continued on Page 2, Column 7.)

Soviet Russia has no secret diplo

styled ambassador of Soviet Russia, made this statement in a letter which

was today laid before the Senate

committee investigating Bolshevik

soviet government and Martens will

be made available for the committee,

former Senator Hardwick, counsel for

Martens declared that the corre-

spondence would not incriminate him

Upon request of Senator Moses

chairman, the following list of con-

tracts entered into by Martens was

List of Contracts.

Elias Berlow, 110 Duane street,

under contract, \$3.000,000: Fischman

& Co., 395 Broadway, New York,

hosiery, \$3,000,000; Weinberg & Pos-

eign Trading and Engineering Com-

pany, Milwaukee, Wis.; Kempsmith

Manufacturing Company, milling ma-chines, \$97,470; F. Mayer Boot and

Shoe Company, \$1,201,250; Milwaukee

(These contracts supersede con-

1919, and with Milwaukee Shaper

Shaper Company, shapers, \$45,071; Steel Sole Shoe Company, steel-soled

and shoes to be supplied on orders September, 1919.)

macy.

activities.

Martens, announced.

o divulge the soviet code

laid before the committee:

L. C. A. K. Martens, self-

correspondence between the

MRS. WILLIAM B.

the American "Tin Plate King," who, it is report-ed, will wed Prince Christopher of Greece tomor-

Plate King."

According to leaders of the Greek

be allowed to return to his native

country, for political reasons. Conse-

quently there is no chance of Mrs.

Leeds ever becoming the "queen of

Mrs. Leeds, who is a native of

Cleveland, inherited \$14,000,000 from

Prince Christopher is a younger

of Greece, and uncle of the present

**MARTENS' CREDENTIALS** 

AS SOVIET ENVOY LOST

The original papers certifying

This was made known today at

the hearing of the Senate Sub-

committee Investigating Soviet

During the hearings last week the papers were lost. No trace of

prevailing market price at time of

A contract dated September 10, 1919, was entered into with the Na-

Circumstances made it impossible

for the National Storage Company

to perform this contract, according

to the original terms, and it has

In addition to the contracts already

placed, the negotiations of the com-mercial department of the Russian

ered a schedule of articles required

in Russia to a total amount of ap-

ricultural implements and machinery

for a cargo of merchandise for

L. C. A. K. Martens as ambassa-dor of the Soviet government

have been lost.

shipment.

been abandoned.

New York, agent's contract for boots the result of negotiations instituted in

agent's contract for underwear and tional Storage Company of New York

tracts executed with Kempsmith proximatly \$300,000,000, consisting of

Manuafcturing Company, July 30, railway material and equipment, ag-

Company, July 7, 1919, and arranged tractors, motor trucks and automo-

but not finally executed with F. biles, meats, foodstuffs, and canned

Mayer Boot and Shoe Company, May milk; machinery, mining, printing, 10, 1919, and Steel Sole Shoe Company, road making; hardware and tools,

August 1919.) Lehigh Machine Com- woolens, textiles, and knit goods;

way, New York, machinery and ma-chine tools, 43,000,000; Debroff For-

Greece, at Geneva, tomorow.

her late husband's estate.

the Hellenes."

reigning King.

To Furnish Senators

Austrian Superintendent and Native Workmen Slain

OWNED BY RICH ITALIANS

In Battle.

First Word of Tragedy Received At Military Headquarters In Sonora.

MONTEZUMA, Sonora, Mexico, Jan. 30 .- After battling a band of Yaqui Indians for more than twelve hours, the entire mine crew of the Santa Maria mine, numbering twenty-two employes, was wiped out before sundown last night, according to word reaching military headquarters here today.

The Santa Maria mine is located east of Nuri, Sonora, close to the Chihuahua state line, and is operated by Italian capitalists. The mine crew was composed entirely of Mexicans, with the exception of Superintendent Rodrich Wison, an Aus-

### WED GREEK PRINCE MEXICANS TO RELEASE AMERICAN ARMY FLIERS

Inherited \$14,000,000 Upon Death of American "Tin Both Pilots Forced Down Across Border Expected to Return Today.

BROWNSVILLE, Tex., Jan. 30 PARIS. Jan. 30 .- Greek circles to-Lieutenants Davis and Grimes, Amerday confirmed the report that Mrs. ican army pilots, forced to land thirty William B. Leeds, widow of the late miles across the Mexican border, will America. The fleet totals 365,000 "American tin plate king," will be return today or tomorrow unassisted. married to Prince Christopher.

Fort Brown officials safd today Arrangements are being made for the fliers to get gasofine and oil from the Mexican side. It is believed no recolony, Prince Christopher will never lief party will be sent to aid then

### CONSUL TO NEGOTIATE FOR AVIATORS' RELEASE

American Consul Robertson. of Monterey, Mexico, is proceeding to Guerrero, Pampaulipas, where he will brother of former King Constantine negotiate for the release of Lieuts. G. E Grimes and E. S. Davis, American aviators, held by Mexican civil authorities after a forced landing, the

War Department announced today. The War Department stated word had been received that the two aviators are being shown every consideration, but are being held pending an investigation by the Governor of

#### D. C. RENT COMMISSION All Bolsheviki Orders HOMELESS FOR WEEK

Complaints May Be Filed Now, But No Action Will Be Taken Until Body Moves.

The District Rent Commission will not be housed in its new offices in the Hooe Building, on F street northwest, until the latter part of next week. For this reason, no date has been set for its first publis hearing. In the meantime, it was announced by Capt. James F. Oyster, chairman of the commission, that complaints would be received at the temporary office of the commission, at 900 Penn-

sylvania avenue northwest. It was stated this morning that about 130 complaints so far have been received by the commission. and that just as soon as the offices on F street are remodeled, hearings in the cases will take place

### "ONE-MAN ARMY" DEFIES APPENDICITIS ATTACK

ner Engineering Company, 120 Broad- tal amount of approximately \$10,000. Noted Hero Leaves Massachusetts for Mountain Home After Declining Operation.

> WORCESTER, Mass., Jan. 30 .- Alhough believed to be ill with appendicitis, Sergt, Alvin York, America's famous "one man army," refused to submit to an operation in New England and left here today for his mountain home in Tennessee.

POUND STERLING AT 3.50.

### NEW YORK. Jan. 30 .- Demand sterling on the foreign exchange open-ed today at 3.50%, off 16. The record low in its recent decline was 3.49.

pany, Lehighton, Pa., printing presses, shoes, leather, and findings; paper \$4,500,000; Morris & Co., Chicago, 50, and chemicals, and pharmaceutical, 000,000 pounds of food products at medical, and surgical supplies. Illness caused postponement of te-

CABINET MEETING OFF.

day's Cabinet meeting